

Washington, DC - Today, Congressman John Adler and members of the New Jersey Delegation announced that Ocean County and two other shore communities received a major disaster declaration. The disaster declaration triggers the release of federal funds to help communities recover from the severe storms and flooding associated with the storms that occurred in November.

"Today's announcement will greatly benefit our community's efforts to fix the damages left by November's storms," Congressman Adler said. "The storms hurt our local economy and put a strain on families and businesses. These necessary funds will help protect our beaches, rebuild our roads, and take some of the burden off of hard-working families."

The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) today authorized Atlantic, Cape May and Ocean counties to receive direct federal assistance to repair damaged public infrastructure and reimburse emergency response activities.

On December 1, Congressmen Adler and Frank LoBiondo, joined by U.S. Senator Robert Menendez, sent a letter to President Obama urging him to declare a Presidential Disaster Declaration for the counties devastated by the November 11-14 nor'easter. Last month, Congressman Adler also hosted a call for Ocean County elected officials with FEMA, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, and NJOEM to discuss efforts to help Long Beach Island and other Ocean County municipalities affected by the storm.